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RE: Application Serial No.: 10/801,822

Applicants: Hiroyuki KIMBARA, et al.

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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS STARTED  
FROM A PROGRAM RECORDED ON A RECORDING  
MEDIUM WITH WELL-MAINTAINED SECURITY, AND  
A RECORDING MEDIUM STORING SUCH A PROGRAM  
AND A PRODUCING METHOD OF SUCH A  
RECORDING MEDIUM

Group Art Unit: 2167

Examiner: LEWIS, CHERYL RENE

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

**Status Request - Awaiting Further Action**

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